

Birding Reports (September 2016)



Sept. 16, 2016 — The fall bird migration is now in full flight with many birds moving south. Here is a look at the birds are in our area and on the move. Bald Eagle (8), Turkey Vulture (23), Osprey (2), Broad-winged Hawk (1), Sharp-shinned Hawk (1), Coopers Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk (7), American Kestrel, Great-blue Heron, Green Heron, Mallard, Goose, Woodduck, Ring-billed Gull, Belted Kingfisher, Sandhill Crane, Raven, Common Loon, Pied-billed Grebe, Brown Thrasher, Gray catbird, Oriole, Hummingbird, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Purple Finch, House Finch, Northern Flicker, Pileated Woodpecker, Phoebe, Song Sparrow, Bluebird, Cedar Waxwing, Wild Turkey, Great-horned Owl, Morning Dove, Yellow-rumped Warbler, Red-eyed Vireo, Palm Warbler, Black and White Warbler, American Redstart and Yellow Warbler. Happy Birding!

Sept 10, 2016 — The fall bird migration will be near its peak within the next 10-14 days. Already many of our summer birds have left — or will leave soon. The Goldfinches are starting to molt into their winter plumage. Many Golffinches do stay all winter, so keep the food out for them. Just took a quick look at the bird count for Hawk Ridge in Duluth and they had their first 1,500 bird day recently.

Fall is a great time for native plantings that attract birds and wildlife, many fruiting shrubs and trees are still available (and on sale!) at many nurseries and garden centers in the area.

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Sept. 2, 2016 — This week's bird sightings include: Bird sightings for the area include: Common Loon, Ring-billed Gull, Great-blue Heron, Double-crested Cormorant, Bald Eagle, Turkey Vulture, Red-tailed Hawk, Merlin, American Kestrel, Broad-winged Hawk, Cooper's Hawk, Sharp-shinned Hawk, Wild Turkey, Mallard, Geese, Trumpeter Swan, Woodduck, Pied-billed Grebe, Belted Kingfisher, Raven, Killdeer, Robin, Cedar Waxwing, Brown Thrasher, Gray Catbird, Rose-breasted Grosbeak, Sandhill Crane, Cardinal, Oriole, Hummingbird, Pileated Woodpecker, Red-headed Woodpecker, Northern Flicker, Yellow-bellied Sapsucker, Nighthawk, Barred Owl, Tree Swallow, Bluebird, Goldfinch, Morning Dove, Song Sparrow, Chipping Sparrow, Red-winged Blackbird, Nashville Warbler, Chestnut-sided Warbler, Tennessee Warbler, Blackburnian Warbler, Yellow-rumped Warbler, Golden-crowned Warbler and Yellow Warbler. Happy Birding!

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